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1. FOLLOWING IS OPERATIVE LANGUAGE FROM TEXT OF EMBASSY NOTE NO. 192 OF MARCH 25. AS INDICATED IN REFTEL, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT BAKER AND AF/W OFFICER DISCUSS HIS PROBLEM WITH NIGERIAN CHARGE AND GIVE CHARGE A COPY OF THIS NOTE.

2. QUOTE..ONCE AGAIN CALLS TO THE MINISTRY'S ATTENTION THE CONTINUING CONCERN OF THE EMBASSY REGARDING THE RESTORATION OF MR. BAKER'S RESIDENCE PERMIT. BY NOTE NO. 864 OF DECEMBER 5, 1977, THE EMBASSY EXPRESSED ITS INTEREST IN DISCUSSING THIS MATTER WITH THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS. THE MINISTRY REPLIED (NOTE 2223/77, DECEMBER 14, 1977) TO THE EFFECT THAT COMMISSIONER SHINKAFI WAS UNAWARE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CASE AND THAT, AT ANY RATE, IT DID NOT FALL WITHIN HIS JURISDICTION, ON DECEMBER 27, BY NOTE NO. 906 THE EMBASSY REQUESTED THE MINISTRY'S ADVICE ON HOW TO PROCEED IN THE LIGHT OF COMMISSIONER'S SHINKAFI'S RESPONSE. TO DATE THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NO REPLY TO THIS REQUEST. THE MINISTRY WILL RECALL THAT PRESIDENT CARTER RAISED THIS MATTER WITH GENERAL OBASANJO DURING THEIR CONVERSATION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN WASHINGTON LAST OCTOBER. THE EMBASSY IS OBLIGED TO INFORM THE PRESIDENT OF THE DEVELOPMENTS OF THE CASE SINCE THAT TIME AND IS THUS HOPEFUL THAT THE MATTER CAN BE PROMPTLY RESOLVED. UNQUOTE. EASUM

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